

SENATE BILL 3970

By Black

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 6,  
Chapter 54, relative to municipal power to create  
design review commissions.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 6, Chapter 54, is amended by adding a  
new section:

§ 6-54-132.

A municipality may create a design review commission having the authority to develop general guidelines and to develop procedures for the approval of the guidelines for the exterior appearance of all nonresidential property, multiple family residential property, and any entrance to nonresidential developments within the municipality; provided, that the authority is subordinate to and in no way exceeds the authority delegated to a municipal planning commission pursuant to title 13, chapter 4. Any property owner affected by the guidelines may appeal a decision by the design review commission to the municipality's planning commission or, if there is no planning commission, to the entire municipal body.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring  
it.